cluding the eight-hour day, to any impartial board for investigation; they
are unwilling to throw aside summarily the principle of arbitration for settlement of wage disputes, as they believe the present crisis should be secondary to the principle involved and the
precedent it would establish.

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Statement Read to President.

Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, who is apokesman for the presidents, went into the conference with a draft of will be proposed to state to President Wilson in justification of the railroads' view of the entire situation, and will be questions in issue involve the operaof the entire situation, and will be turned over to the President for his

It is expected this will be published fter the conference. This brief was repared in secret session of the presi-ents, and represents their consensus of

sident of the Great Northern rail-d, at St. Paul, last night, saying t no matter what the decision of the conference here in which his own executives are participating may be, his road will not accept the eight-hour day, even if it has to stand alone against it, is taken as a strong search-light on what the attitude of Hale Hol-den as spokesman for the railroad presidents is going to be.

Seeking Public Support.

The presidents say today that they to better understand their atitude, the public will support them in their firm

Railway Executives at White House The thirty-three railroad executives ho went to the White House today

R. H. Aishton, president Chicago and Northwestern railway. W. W. Atterbury, vice president

Pennsylvania Railroad Company. B. F. Bush, receiver, Missouri Pacific

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M. J. Carpenter, president, Chicago, Terre Haute and Southeastern railroad.
A. T. Dice, president, Philadelphia and Reading railway.
C. R. Gray, president, Western Maryland railroad.
S. M. Fetton, president, Chicago Great Western railroad.
W. J. Harahan, president, Seaboard Air Line railway.
Fairfax Harrison, president, Southern railway.

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Hale Holden, president, Chicago,
Burlington and Quincy.
J. H. Hustis, president, Boston and
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W. J. Jackson, receiver, Chicago and Eastern Hilinois railroad.
L. E. Johnson, president, Norfolk and Western railway.
Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman, Southern Pacific Company.
H. R. Kurrie, president, Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville railway.
J. L. Lancaster, vice president Texas and Pacific railway.
L. F. Loree, president Delaware and Hudson Company.

son Company. S. Lovett, chairman Illinois Cen-Markham, president Illinois Paarson, vice president New New Haven and Hartford rail-

lph Peters, president Long Island aliroad.
J. H. Peyton, president Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway.
M. W. Potter, president Carolina, Climehseld and Ohio Railway Company.
T. M. Schumacher, vice president Elesso and Southwestern railroad.
G. M. Shriver, vice president Baltisers and Ohio railroad.
A. H. Smith, president New York Central railroad.

railroad. W. Stevens, president Chesapeake

W. H. Truesdale, president Delaware, ackawanna and Western Railroad

Frank Trumbull, chairman Chesa-peake and Ohio railway; chairman railway executives' advisory committee. F. D. Underwood, president Eric rail-

road.

Henry Walters, chairman Atlantic Coast Line railroad.

Daniel Willard, president Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

J. H. Young, president Norfolk and Southern railroad.

Previous to the White House confer-nce the railroad presidents and the managers' committee held separate ex-cutive sessions at the New Willard Hotel.

In the meantime the employer general committee of 640, which yesterday afternoon voted to accept the President's proposal, is holding another meeting in the Bijou Theater this morning. Brotherhood leaders said there was nothing of great import under consideration.

der consideration.
Out of the maneuvering of both sides for a position have come many evidences that each is working to organize public sentiment in its favor and make it manifest in a positive way.

Flay for Public Opinion. was understood that the railroad

turning to other large employer of labor throughout the country to express their support of the preservaa cottlement of industrial disputes, while President Wilson and the employee are drawing support from large manufacturing and other interests vitally interested in keeping the railroads open for business and from those who are eager to have the movement for the eight-hour day carried a long step forward.

The evidences point to moves by each side to "backfire" the other. The attitude of the railroad presidents to ask for time to consider the President's plan was said to be part of this plan.

Board Members May Be Sent For. Prosident Wilson is determined, it was ald authoritatively today, to bring the to Washington if necessary to prevent nation-wide railroad strike. He will endeavor, it was said, to secure an

agreement by negotiating with repre-

sentatives of the employes, the rail-road managers and presidents, but if the deadlock continues the boards will

the deadlock continues the boards will be summoned.

The general contention of the railroad officials is that they are insisting on arbitration on the ground that if they gave in this time it would mean abandonment of the principle of arbitration, and because they feared if they granted the eight-hour day with its consequent added expenses without respect to arbitration it would prejudice any appeal they might make later to the interstate commerce commission for higher freight rates.

Railway Officials at White House.

The group of railroad presidents and officials assembled here in answer to an invitation from the President conferred with him at the White House esterday afternoon for less than an hour. After Mr. Wilson had explained hour. After Mr. Wilson had explained his plan, Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quiney, acting an spokesman, informed the President that the officials present could speak only for their individual roads, and that the conference committee of managers was the only body with power to accept or reject proposale.

It was indicated plainly to Mr. Wilson that the efficials were inclined to stand behind the previous attitude of the managers committee in refusing to accept the eight-hour day, and that the previous attitude of the managers committee in refusing the accept the eight-hour day, and that the previous attitude of the managers committee in refusing the accept the eight-hour day, and that

long conference at their hotel, until after 11 o'clock last night. Some of the presidents expressed the conviction that the negotiations with the White House would not be concluded in a few

the White House conference, that the questions in issue involve the operation of 250,000 miles of railroad, one-fourth that of the entire world, and their solution may have a far-reaching effect on laboring conditions throughout the United States. With 400,000 railroad men assured of an eight-hour basic working day, some of the presidents feel, it would be a question of only a short time until laboring men in some of the great industrial concerns of the country would be making demands for an eight-hour day also.

The presidents realize that if it com to a matter of a break with the White Ho_ some of the executives may be tions to President Wilson's wishes. It has been planned to have votes taken on each proposal made by him, with the understanding that a majority vote shall bind all. Railroad men present at the White

House conference yesterday and White House officials declared last night that the President had not talked of government ownership of railroads as a possibility in the future in case there

A person in position to be familiar with the attitude of the executives out-lined the position of the railroads as "The position of the railroads at this time is that they are standing out for the great principle of arbitration and that they cannot surrender this principle under the threat of a strike or

Little Opposition Among Men.

There never was a time that the Presirushed through the employes' meeting by a big majority, while it was in sesion yesterday from 9 a.m. to 1:35 p.m. agreed to the conference report, which Brotherhood leaders were in no hurry

was announced in the general meeting

They hurried to the White House with a solitary typewritten report of the decision and handed it to the President. Before leaving they again assured him that any news regarding the negotiations must come from him, and upon returning to their hotel declined positively to discuss the result of their deliberations.

liberations.

The four brotherhood leaders were in conference with the President thirty minutes, and said no modification of the plan had been presented to them as a result of President Wilson's conference with the railroad presidents.

The men say they have nothing further to discuss unless the railroads make a counter proposal. Their leaders have advised them to remain in Washington a day or two to be ready to meet any emergency.

Most of the brotherhood men seemed confident that the situation would be in such shape soon that they could go home. But they do not get this idea from their leaders, who are none too optimistic over the probable outcome of the negotiations.

POLICE AND FIREMEN GLAD.

Agreement of Conferees for Pension Legislation Gives Hope.

Members of the police and fire de partments were about the happiest lot of Washingtonians in the city today. Announcement of the District bill conferees that the La Follette pension legislation had been agreed to brought forth expressions of gratification from the rank and file of the police and fire departments, the officials of the two branches of the District government, the District Commissioners and citizens generally.

While not embodying all the features that might have been desired, the pro-posed legislation, it was stated today, is generally satisfactory for the rea-sons: First, that it will absolutely insons: First, that it will absolutely insure full pension payments, and, second, that it provides for retirement at
half pay. The half pay retirement plan
is in operation in every large city. The
legislation, therefore, seeks to put
Washington on an equal footing with
other municipalities in the treatment
of its disabled and superannuated
policemen and firemen.

HEAT WAVES MOVE EAST.

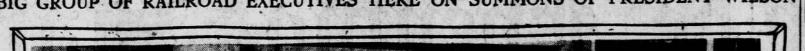
Temperatures of Between 95 and 100 in Central States.

CHICAGO, August 19.-The heat wave, which began over the middle west yesterday, continued today with equal intensity and officials of the government weather bureau here said the tempertures would again range between 95 and 100 degrees in most

tween 95 and 100 degrees in most central states.

The high pressure area of the extreme northwest, which officials say caused the present heat wave, began moving eastward today and in its wake the temperature lowered. Relief should reach Nebraska and Minnesota by tomorrow, Forecaster Mitchell said. There is no relief in sight, however, for Illinois, Iwa, Kansas or Miscouri before Monday or Tuesday.

In Chicago the temperature was 92 at 9 a.m.





WORK ON D. C. BILL WAITS ON HOUSE

Conference Report Must Be Passed On, and in Meantime Measure Is at Standstill.

Until the House has had an opportunity pass upon the conference report on the ably will arise Tuesday, work on that teries. the Capitol today. The Senate yesterday

The two main items in disagreement, side from the half-and-half plan, reand a proposed tax on intangible prop-erty. It is possible that the House may accept both these amendments

May Go to Conference Again.

That the bill will be sent to confernce again, as requested by the Senate, was the belief at the Capitol today. the Senate is firm in its determination to stand for the half-and-half plan and

punitive overtime measure, would arm the railroads with the argument that the primary purpose of the proposed strike was to obtain a higher wage instead of establishing the shorter work day, as the men contend.

Cheers Great Aproval.

Rousing cheers, however, greeted the final approval of the plan. The result was announced in the general meeting of the committee of 640 when it reconvened at 2:20 o'clock. The brotherhood officials them slipped out through a rear door of the hall, carefully avoiding every one.

They hurried to the White House with the street to furty-four feet. It should have been stated that the Commissioners were authorized to widen this street to fifty-five feet.

Oldest B'Nai B'Rith Member Dead. LOS ANGELES, Cal., August 19 .-Leopold Veith, a charter member of New York Lodge, No. 1, B'Nai B'Rith, died here last night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George B. Epstein. He

TOMORROW

"OPENING UP THE NATIONAL FORESTS" — A ten-million-dollar appropriation by Congress for roads through hitherto little known sections of the coun-

iry.
"IT CAN'T BE DONE"—A story
of real achievements, by EDWARD HUNGERFORD. "SCARCITY OF MATERIALS IN GERMANY RESULTS IN A THRIFT CAMPAIGN" — German economics, due to the war, assume vast proportions.

"HIGH AS HAMAN"—A bit of fiction well worth reading, by ROBERT WELLS RITCHIE. THE CENTRAL AMERICAN
COURT OF JUSTICE MIXES
IN The story of the effort to
take furisdiction over the canal
treaty between the United States
and Nicaragua, by CHARLES
M. PEPPER.

"WHEN AUNTIE CRASHES IN"

—A TORCHY story, of course,
by SEWELL FORD. "SMART GARMENTS DESIGNED
ESPECIALLY FOR MOTOR-ISTS," by ANNE RITTEN-HOUSE.

"MILLION - DOLLAR MOVIES"-A two-page spread of shoto-graphs from million-dollar pro-"GOV. BLACK TELLS HOW THE YUKON IS GOVERNED," by FRANK G. CARPENTER.

"THE GIRL BEYOND THE TRAIL"—Another installment of this gripping serial, by JAMES OLIVER CURWOOD. "THE RAMBLER VISITS A
VERY OLD CHURCH, PTE
CHAPEL." "MOONLIGHT NIGHTS ON THE FAMILY EXCURSION STEAM-ERS."

"THE IDEA THAT GOT ME MY RAISE" - Two price - winning "REVIEWS OF BOOKS OF MID-SUMMER." "PARIS 18 EXCAVATING TEB GALLO-ROMAN ARENA, WHERE EARLY CHRIS-TIANS WERE KILLED," by STERLING HEILIG.

WOMAN WHO ADVOCATES AN OCEAN-TO-OCEAN TIGH-WAY." "STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN? W "MOST OF US COMMON FOLKS ARE AFEAID OF BANKS," by BRUCE BARTON.

"RUB YOUR LAMP" and "THE MAN WHO CAME BACK," and "A DANGEROUE BUSINESS," and "OU MAN CONSHUNCE; by HERBERT KAUPMAN. IN THE SUNDAY STAR

ATTACK UPON ITALIANS ON CARSO IS CHECKED

Only Heavy Fighting Reported in the General Direction of Trieste.

ROME, August 19.—The Austrians launched an attack last night on the left wing of the Italian forces on the cially today that the assault was checkappropriation bill, which prob ed by the fire of the Italian bat-No heavy fighting is reported, with

> the exception of the engagement on the arso, over which the Italians are at-"Along the whole front artillery

actions occurred," the statement says.
"Our artillery was particularly active in the upper Felia, where the railway line at the mouth of the Seebach valley was damaged. Hostile batteries shelled the town of Gorisia and the Isomoo oridges.

"Yesterday evening after heavy artillery fire the enemy began an attack against the left wing of our positions on the Carso. It was checked promptly by the effective fire of our batteries."

Air Baid on Avlona.

BERLIN, August 19, by wireless to

lona, Albania, held by the Italians, is

lona. Albania, held by the Italians, is reported in an Austrian admiralty statement today as follows:

On the night of August 14-15 an Austro-Hungarian hayal aeroplane squadron attacked afform. Definite hits were obtained on a shiere battery and on the barracks, a camp, a storehouse and a ship. Namerous free broke out. All the aeroplanes returned undamaged, despite violent shelling."

Naval aeroplanes, with the aid of torpedo craft and motor boats, made an attack on the Austrian seaport of Triest the morning of August 14, says an Austrian admiralty statement today. Several of the raiding craft were brought down, and, although a number of bombs were dropped, little damage was done, it is declared.

ENGLISH WOMEN TO GET

THE RIGHT OF SUFFRAGE

LONDON, August 19.—The present week brought within the range of practical politics a reform which many of its advocates feared the war would postpone perhaps for a generation—the right of women to vote.

months ago. Action was deferred until Monday.

The resolution sets forth that the law, act of May 1, 1884, provides that no department or officer of the United States "shall accept voluntary service for the government or employ personal service in excess of that authorised by law, except in case of sudden emergency involving the loss of human life or the destruction of property." right of women to vote

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The strongest force against the realization of woman suffrage in the years immediately preceding the war was the determined opposition of Premier Asquitth, hence great surprise was caused by his virtual conversion when he said in the house of commons Monday that the undertaking of new franchise and registration reforms in the midst of a great war was too complex and controversial a problem, and when he implied that any new bill for franchise reforms in the future must of necessity include women.

The premier's announcement is talked on all sides as meaning that woman will have the vote before another general election is fought, except in the unlikely event of an election being forced on the country before the war ends.

TURKS PUSHED BACK BY RUSS IN NEAR EAST

PETROGRAD, August 19.—Between the Sivas and Kemakh roads our troops have pushed back the Turks for a considerable distance. In the direction of Diarbekr flerce

NO CARS TO HAUL WHEAT. Fifty Million Bushels Must Cross the

Continent by Rail.

PORTLAND, Oreg., August 19.—The three northwestern states, Oregon, Washington and Idaho, will have 50,-00,000 bushels of wheat to move to the Atlantic seaboard within the next six nonths, and practically no cars are in light in which to move it, according to and Light Company met again this survey completed today by local railroad men. The railroads will be called ipon to provide about 38,500 cars, the average capacity of a car being 1,300 bushels.

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Virtually all the grain of the north-west this year, except that needed for domestic consumption, will move east-ward by rail. The European war has made it an economic impossibility to plan on obtaining ships enough to handle the export wheat—the usual channel for the movement. The railroads have themselves influenced the proposed transcontinental haul by reducing the ratés. About 20,000,000 bushels of wheat have been sold for delivery within the next two months.

Visitors to Ireland Barred.

LONDON, August 19 .- By a new or-

LINCOLN IMPERSONATOR,

Has Appeared in Films in the Role of War President-Native of Washington.

Samuel Dade Drane, known for his remarkable resemblance to Abraham Lincoln, died in New York city Tues day. The funeral was held here yes terday, interment being private in Rock Creek cemetery.

ington forty-seven years ago, was at the time of his death engaged in the production of a large film play on world peace, in which he was to play the leading part. He also was making ready to play in a series of "Honest Rucker. interested in the stage. Before enter ing the motion picture field he travele extensively about the country wit

various troupes. He was with David Belasco for He was with David Belasco for a time and played the part of "Mutt" in the "Mutt and Jeff" comedies produced by the Nestor Film Company. While in the film field Mr. Drane was associated with Mary Pickford, Arthur Johnson, Dorothy and Lillian Gish, Mack Sennett and David W. Griffith.

Mr. Drane was, in addition to being an actor, an author and composer. He served for a short time on the Washington police force. Washington police force.

Mr. Drane is survived by his father,
Baldwin D. Drane of this city; a sister, Mrs. M. A. Johnson of Baltimore,
and two brothers, William E. Drane
and James W. Drane.

INQUIRES AS TO STATUS OF TRADE BOARD MEMBER

Senator Gallinger Introduces Resolution Asking by What Authority George Bublee Is Serving.

Senator Gallinger today introduced a esolution directing the chairman of the federal trade commission to inform

or the destruction of property."

Mr. Rublee has been serving since
March, 1915, without compensation. A
bill to provide compensation for
Rublee's services up to the time of his
rejection last June is pending in the
House.

CHANGES ARE ANNOUNCED IN THE BRITISH CABINET

LONDON, August 18 .- The Marquis of Crewe, lord president of the council, has been appointed president of the board of education in the British .abinet, in addition to his other duties. Mr. Arthur Henderson, who is succeeded as president of the board of education by Lord Crewe, and whose chief duty is in an unpaid position as labor adviser to the government, has been appointed paymaster general in succession to Baron Newton, who has resigned that office and has been appointed an assistant under-secretary of state for foreign affairs. Mr. Henderson's new position carries with it the presidency of the commissioners of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea, who have charge of all military pension matters. Lord Crewe, although he has been appointed to the presidency of the board of education, presumably will continue to take charge of the foreign office in the event of the temporary absence of Viscount Grey.

TOLEDO CARMEN MAY STRIKE.

Closed Shop Included in Their Demand on Traction Company. TOLEDO, Ohio, August 19 .- Street car

men employed by the Toledo Railways morning and decided to include the morning and decided to include the closed shop in their demands to be presented to the company. A strike is certain, it is said, after the meeting, unless the demands are granted. A committee was named to call on the company officials before next Tuesday, the date set for a definite answer.

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FORT DOUGLAS CAMP TO OPEN. Men Enrolled for Military Training to Pay Cost.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, August 19. The citizens' committee, which has had charge of the preliminary arrangeder in council the government is em- ments for the citizens' military train-

S. D. DRANE, IS DEAD INFANTILE EPIDEMIC CONFERENCE IS ENDED

Standing Committee Created for Promulgation of Information Regarding Disease.

Vitalization of the campaign against national conference of health officials which closed its two-day session at the public health service yesterday, according to the views of delegates and Assistant Surgeon General W. C

Rucker, who presided over the conference, made the following statement "We have admitted frankly and freeabout, and the public sympathizes with our efforts to do whatever we can, with cannot afford to leave any stone unturned.

Groping in the Dark.

Dr. Glenn Andrews of Alabama said he conference was groping in the dark in promulgating even advisory sug-

said Dr. Andrews. Representatives of railroads have re

co-operation in regulating the traver of children. Such a meeting probably will be arranged within the next two will be arranged within the next two weeks.

The conference standing committee to collect and distribute information regarding the disease consists of Surgeons C. H. Lavinder and Wade Frost of the public health service; Dr. T. D. Tuttle of Washington state, Dr. C. St. Clair Drake of Illinois and Dr. Oscar Dowling of Louisiana.

Another Case of Infantile Paralysis.

Washington's fourth infantile paralythe Senate at once by what authority of law George Rublee is now a member of the commission, his nomination having been rejected by the Senate several months ago. Action was deferred until west, is the latest patient. One recovery was reported, which leaves six cases under treatment. Eighteen cases in the District have been reported since the first of the year. There have been two deaths, with recoveries reported in ten

NOTE NO MARKED CHANGE IN PARALYSIS EPIDEMIC

Health Officials in New York Repor Thirty-Six Deaths and 134 New Cases.

NEW YORK, August 19.-The end of the eighth week of the epidemic of infantile paralysis was marked by no material change in its development. During the week just passed the disease has neither advanced nor receded to seeded as president of the board of any extent. During the twenty-four hours ending at 10 a.m. thirty-six children were killed by the plague and 134 new cases were reported to the health department, as against 32 deaths and 125 new cases reported yesterday. The organization of a committee of

citizens to raise a fund of \$2,000 to defray the expenses of obtaining blood from persons in this city who have had pollomyelitis and, with the health department's approval, will send letters to them asking them to contribute to the battle against the epidemic. To those who can be reached in no other way surgeons will be sent and the operation for taking the lood will be performed in their homes.

It is stated today that Dr. Zingher is the epidemic. Other to waive the appointment of Mrs. Myrtle is the sent and the operation for taking the lood will be performed in their homes.

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It is stated today that Dr. Zingher and others, who have been using the serum continued to be encouraged by its results. Only fourteen ounces of blood intended for the manufacture of this immune serum was obtained yesterday.

Philadelphia Collects Material. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 15.— Serum from the blood of Philadel-

hians, who have had infantile paralysis and recovered, is being collected by the health authorities in an effort to check the disease. Nearly 400 persons, who have recovered from the disease, have already sent names to the health authorities. Princeton Postpones Opening Day.

powered under the defense of the realm act to "prohibit from entering Ireland any person not a British subject or who, being a British subject or who, being a British subject, has since the 1st of March, 1916, come or may herester come to the United Kingdom from parts beyond the san."

Any such persona as described in the order embarking for ar found in Ireland will be regarded as guilty of a summary offense, says the order.

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Both Allies and Bulgars Report | Break Through Austro-Ger-Losses on Foe.

SERBS ADMIT BULGAR SEIZURE OF FLORINA

Both Sides Declare That Enemy Attacks in Battles of Thursday Were Repulsed.

SALONIKI, via London, August 19 .-Bulgarian troops, who attacked the poerbian frontier August 17, were re pulsed and thrown back upon their original positions after sustaining normous losses, says the Serbian official statement of August 18, which anounces:

"Yesterday at dawn the Bugarians a acked along our front in the sector of Moglena (Moglenica) north of the vil lages of Scupina and Pojar. The Bulgarians were repulsed by our powerful ounter attacks and were thrown back upon their original positions after sus aining enormous losses.

"The Bulgarians occupied the town and station of Emiorina (Florina). "An enemy air squadron threw bombs on the British ambulances at Verbekop. Six persons were killed. "Nineteen allied aeroplanes dropped eighty bombs on the enemy hangars at Monastir. Excellent results were observed."

Reports Capture of Florina. BERLIN, August 19 .- The Teutoni llies have taken the offensive on the

Balkan front and captured the Greek

own of Floring from Serbian troops. Florina is five miles from the Greco-Serbian border and fifteen miles south-east of Monastir. Fighting has been in progress along this front for some time, although the official reports have indicated that no large bodies of in-fantry have been engaged. Reports from the allies of the capture of sev-eral towns are denied here and in Sona.

Bulgars Claim Success. SOFIA, Bulgaria, August 19.—Severe rom the Serbians, who have sustained onsiderable losses, says an official account of these operations issued here oday. The statement follows:

today. The statement follows:

"On August 17, after an offensive undertaken by the Serbians on the front between Lake Ostrovo and Lake Presba, our troops, which had repulsed the enemy, pursued him and occupied Florina. The enemy, after lengthy artillery preparation, in the evening attacked our advanced position south and west of Doiran, and our post at the village of Boiseli. He was repulsed by our fire and at some points by our counter attacks and in bayonet engagements. He was compelled to retire, suffering considerable losses.

"On the remainder of the front there were engagements with small patrol forces."

attacks yesterday on the railway es-tablishments near the Lanechevo camps near Karsowo, Gavalianesi, Dragomi-ritze and Kalabak. All the aeroplanes returned to their base."

ANOTHER POSTAL SURPLUS.

Postmaster General Turns \$5,200,000

Into United States Treasury. A surplus of \$5,200,000 from the postal service during the fiscal year Wilson by Postmaster General Burle-

amount to the Treasury. In a letter to Mr. Burieson, acknowledging receipt of the check, Secretary McAdoo said this is the third time since 1836 that surplus postal revenues have been deposited in the Treasury, and that all three years have been under the present administration.

FIGHTING IS RENEWED

ighting in Mesopotamia, in which the Britishr were engaged with Turkish irregulars, is reported in an official statement given out here today. The statement says sixty of the Turkish irregulars were killed, and that a large number were killed, and that a large num-ber were wounded by the British, as-sisted by friendly tribesmen. They made a raid on irregular forces which had attempted to interfere with British reconnoitering steamships on the Euphrates. In the engagement three British sol-diers were killed.

ATLANTIC FLEET IN PRACTICE. Secretary Daniels Submits Figures

in Response to Senate Inquiry. Figures submitted by Secretary Dan-iels to the Senate on battleship practice citizens to raise a fund of \$2,000 to de- of the Atlantic fleet for 1915-16, in re-

waived by the President in order to martha Washington by Gen. Larayette, and now the property of Miss Sophia M. Davis of Arkansas to a position in the postal service. That action was taken at the suggestion of the Postmaster General, who reported that the husband of Mrs. Davis had been assasinated while in the actual performance of his duties as a rural carrier on a route from England, Ark.

Mark Washington by Gen. Larayette, and now the property of Miss Sophia no had now the property of Miss Sophia his done in a larceny case that was tried in a larceny case that was tried in the employ of Miss Webster, admitted taking the platter. It was valued at \$25, in the information filed, but Miss Webster considers it worth more

DAY IN CONGRESS. Semate: Met at 11 a.m.

Began consideration of federal workmen's compensation bill. Senator Tillman buried "pitch-fork" of sectionalism and crit-icised Mr. Hughes for southerndomination-of-Congress speech. domination of Congress speech. Senator Gallinger introduced resolution to inquire into au-thority of trade commission to retain George Rublee as a mem-ber, his nomination having been rejected by the Senate.

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DRIVE UPON KOVEL

on the Stokhod.

THRUST BELIEVED TO HAVE PRECEDENCE NOW

Galician Offensive Has Shown Signs of Slackening in Past Few Days.

LONDON, August 19.-The Russian drive on Kovel has been successfully resumed, Petrograd announces today. After having been held up for some time along the Stokhod, Gen. Brussiloff's forces have broken through the Austro-German lines about forty miles northeast of Kovel, at Czerwiszcze, making a notable advance, according to the official statement.

Although there has been heavy fighting in this Volhynian region during the last fortnight the main Russian effort in this period has been exerted in Salicis in a drive for Lemberg from the east and southeast. This offensive movement has shown signs of a tempoand it now appears that the Russian thrust at Kovel, a vital moint in the Teu hrust at Kovet, a vital manner of its im-onic defensive line because of its im-portance as a railway center, is again by the Russian being given precedence by the Ru

Turks Fighting in East.

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Unofficial advices within the past three weeks have reported the sending of Turkarmies of the central powers on the east ern front, the total force being estimated at from 70,000 to 150,000.

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The greater part of them were understood to have been transferred from the Macedonian front, with others, including some Arabs, from the Asiatic provinces of Turkey. A week ago the transport of these troops on a large scale was reported to be progressing without a hitch, but no official announcement of their presence at the front had preceded today's mention of their participation in the actual fighting.

16th, a squadron of Russian scaplanes, commanded by Naval Lieut. Lichine, man aviation station near Lake Angern (off the west coast of the Gulf of Riga). The bombs dropped apparently caused great damage, destroying one hangar and setting fire to buildings at many points.

Russian aviators were subjected to a violent anti-air craft fire, including rockets and shrapnel, but this did not prevent them from accomplishing their task and safely regaining their base, Petrograd reports.

Bussian Official Report.

The latest Russian official statemen "Last evening, after an artillery bombardment, the enemy launched an atending June 30 is reported to President tack near the village of Zviniache, fifteen versts (about nine miles) southast of Sylnichi. It was repulsed.

on. The Postmaster General announced hat he had sent a check for that mount to the Treasury.

In a letter to Mr. Burleson, acknowldging receipt of the check, Secretary feadoo said this is the third time since as the compact of the check secretary feadoo said this is the third time since and the present administration.

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IN MESOPOTAMIA REGION

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SAY MYSTERY IS SOLVED. Police Allege Boy Admits Sheeting Young Allen Snyder.

The mystery of the shooting of Allen enyder, nine years old, while he was drinking at a spring in the woods near his home, Randle Park, Congress Heights, Wednesday afternoon, has been solved. Gordon Merfa, eleven years old, Portland street, Congress Heights, the police stated, admitted the shooting.

During the investigation the police

earned that the Merfa boy had a rife in his possession at the time his companion was fatally shot. He denied, however, that he had shot him. Detectives talked with young Merfa yesterday and directed him to visit po-lice headquarters today for a further-talk. He falled to appear, and Police-man Dent telephoned that he had ad-mitted the shooting.

HISTORIC CHINA STOLEN.

Platter Said to Have Been Property of Martha Washington Recovered.

An historic china platter, on the rim of which appears the name of fifteen Civil service requirements have been states, said to have been presented to waived by the President in order to Martha Washington by Gen. Lafayette,

Police Court this morning.

Luella Bowen Smith, colored domestic in the employ of Miss Webster, admitted taking the platter. It was valued at \$25, in the information filed, but Miss Webster considers it worth mere than \$500.

Detective Howlett of the tenth precionet arrested the defendant and recovered the china. Luella entered a plea of guilty. She was fined \$50 and placed on probation.

Place Big Order for Motor Trucks. NEW YORK, August 19.-What was

reported to be the largest order for motor trucks placed in this country since the outbreak of the European was has been cabled to a New York was has been cabled to a New York exporting house by one of the entants allied governments. Delivery will be made at the rate of from 50 to 100 trucks a week, until late in 3017, with the prospect that the contract will be extended. The order amounts to many millions of collars. The trucks will be manufactured in Chryding.